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ADDING VALUE: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

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FEATURED TOPICS

- Financial Partners
- Marketing Resources
- Exploring Marketing Channels
- Real World Experiences
- New Horizons
- Renewable Energy

FEATURED SPEAKER

Joel Kotkin, internationallyrecognized authority on global, economic, political and social trends, encourages change to lure new energies and industries in rural areas

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 2003

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

8:15 Registration Opens

- **9:00 Patty Judge,** Secretary of Agriculture, Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship
- 9:20 Joel Kotkin, internationallyrecognized authority and author of "New Geography" can lure new energies and industries to rural

10:00 Refreshment Break

10:15 Concurrent Sessions A, B, C, D, E

11:20 Governor Tom Vilsack

(*invited*) Economic development opportunities and the Grow Iowa Values Funds

12:10 A Taste of Iowa® Luncheon

- 1:00 Concurrent Sessions G, H, I, J, K, L
- 2:00 Refreshment Break
- 2:15 Concurrent Sessions M, N, O, P, Q, R

3:30 Dan Brown, PhD

State Director, USDA Use new economic trends and opportunities for value-added agriculture

Drawing for five "A Taste of Iowa®" baskets

Exhibitor Area

Limited spaces available for 8' by 10' booth

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10:15 a.m. — Concurrent Sessions

A. Wind Energy Generation — Where are the opportunities?

- Bill Haman, Iowa Energy Center, technology and opportunities
- Frank Greb, Alliant Energy
 WindConnect, wind farm development
- Bill Fluhrer, **Iowa farmer**, benefits from your own wind generator

B. Year-Round Farmers' MarketA New Direct MarketingOption in the Des Moines Area

• Dave Schlarman, Metro-Market, and several vendors

C. Soy Lubricant Processing

- Lou Honary, PhD, Agriculture-Based Industrial Lubricants (ABIL), research organization
- Diane Neuzil, Associate Director ABIL, Environmental Lubricant Manufacturing (ELM) and working with local processors to market soy lubricants

D. A Taste of Iowa® Plan to Enhance Existing Industry

- Jennifer Porter and Gail Kotval, Iowa
 Department of Economic Development
- Representatives from Farmers Markets, Retail, Food Service, and Specialty Foods

E. Challenges and Opportunities for Cooperatives

• Mark Hanson, Minnesota attorney, Characteristics of highly successful ventures capture opportunities to realign business plans and capital structure.

1:00 p.m. — Concurrent Sessions

G. Ethanol and Biodiesel Updates

- Warren Puck, president of the new Iowa Renewable Fuels Association and Tall Corn Ethanol Coop
- Myron Danzer, Production Project
 Manager of West Central Cooperative

H. Producer Initiative Updates

- Joel Brinkmeyer, Iowa Cattlemen's Association, Iowa Quality Beef Cooperative report
- Marston McGwinn, Iowa Premium Pork Company
- Ken Rutledge, West Liberty Foods, growth opportunities for the turkey producer

I. Food Uses Panel

- Tom Lacina, Wildwood Harvest, soy foods
- Gary Sabolik, Farm Connect of Soylink, soy protein for yogurt and milk
- Steve Williams, Naturally Iowa, dairy products from "naturally" produced milk

J. Agricultural Marketing Resource Center (AgMRC)

• Mary Holz-Clause, **Iowa State University Extension**, collecting and distributing information to assist value-added ag initiatives

K. Growing Iowa with Iowa Dollars

• Jeff Rossate, Division Administrator Business Development, Iowa Department of Economic Development, programming including the Grow Iowa Values Fund

L. Value Chain Partnerships

- Gary Huber, how the Pork Niche Market Working Group and the Local and Regional Foods groups are growing and you can become involved
- Jill Euken, Iowa State University Extension, the bio-based economy

2:15 p.m. — Concurrent Sessions

M. Renewable Energy — Support and Resources

- Regi Goodale, Iowa Association of **Electric Cooperatives**
- Floyd Barwig, Iowa Energy Center
- Bill Johnson, Alliant Energy
- Jeff Kuntz, USDA Rural Development
- Chad Stobbe, DNR Energy Bank

N. Producer Alliances — Continuing to Find Value-added **Opportunities**

- Brad Petersburg, Ag Ventures
- Jim LeCureux and Chris Williams, 21st Century Producers, Inc.

O. Wine and Cheese

First Name

- Paul Tabor, Tabor Family Winery,
- Eli Bergmeier, Viticulture Technician, Golden Hills RC&D, opportunities and challenges to the wine industry
- Neville McNaughton, Golden Ridge Cheese Cooperative, update on the Amish-owned Blue Cheese processing cooperative

Middle Initial

P. Marketing Channels

- Tom Cory, Cory's Country Lamb, ethnic niche markets and directmarketing
- Jim Raife, New City Market, on-site marketing
- Tim Beeler, Beeler's, marketing through a retailer

Q. Getting the Green Light from Your Financial Partner — Venture Capital and Banking Requirements

- Jeff Kistner, CoBank
- David Sengpiel, Director of Alternative Investments, Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

R. New Horizons

- Michael O'Brien, Director of Communications, Cargill-Dow, current activities, including PLA production
- Dr. Jan Schiedemann, CEO, Trans Ova Genetics, new applications in life sciences industries

Last Name

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